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SUBJECT: SAUDI VIEWS ON MIDDLE EAST HOSTILITIES

FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS FROM SAUDI EMBASSY FIRST
SECRETARY:

A. SAUDIS BELIEVE THAT EGYPTIAN MILITARY OBJECTIVE
IS LIMITED AT THE MOMENT. SADAT WANTS TO ESTABLISH
EGYPTIAN FORCES TO A DEPTH OF APPROXIMATELY 15 KILO-
METERS EAST OF CANAL. THEY INTEND HOLD THERE UNTIL
SITUATION STABILIZES OR CONDITIONS DEVELOP WHEREBY
FURTHER MAJOR ADVANCES CAN BE CONSIDERED.

B. SAG WILL WANT TO STAY OUT OF FIGHTING FOR
SEVERAL DAYS IN ORDER TO "CAREFULLY CONSIDER" SITUATION.
SAUDI EMBOFF CLAIMED NO KNOWLEDGE OF MOVEMENT OF SAUDI
FORCES ANYWHERE.

C. HUSSEIN WILL PROBABLY REMAIN OUT OF FIGHTING
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UNLESS SYRIANS SHOW MAJOR ADVANCE AND OTHER BATTLE NEWS

IS ENCOURAGING.

D. LIBYANS HAVE CONTRIBUTED ONLY FINANCIALLY THUS FAR. SAUDI EMBOFF CONFIRMED REPORT WE HAVE RECEIVED INDEPENDENTLY FROM RELIABLE SOURCE THAT ON OCTOBER 9 QADHAAFI TRANSFERRED 30 MILLION DINARS TO EGYPT. SAUDI EMBOFF SAID EGYPTIANS CONSIDER THIS FIGURE CHEESY, AND HAD TOLD QADHAAFI SO. EGYPTIANS HAVE POINTED TO SAUDI LARGESSE AND INDICATED TO QADHAAFI THAT HE COULD DO CONSIDERABLY MORE. EMBOFF FLUSHED WITHOUT ANSWERING WHEN ASKED HOW MUCH SAUDIS WERE CONTRIBUTING.
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